

Appln. No. 10/690,124
Amendment dated December 5, 2007
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REMARKS

Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Claims 1 through 24 (as renumbered) remain in this application. No claims have been cancelled, withdrawn, or added.

The renumbering of the claims is noted, and appreciated.

Claims 1 through 24 have been rejected of the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1 through 24 of U.S. Patent No. 6,661,542.

Submitted with this Response is a terminal disclaimer for the pending patent application with respect to U.S. Patent No. 6,661,542.

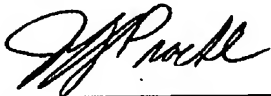
Withdrawal of the rejection of the claims is therefore respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

In light of the foregoing amendments and remarks, early reconsideration and allowance of this application are most courteously solicited.

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